State of Arizona House of Representatives Forty-sixth Legislature Second Regular Session 2004

CHAPTER 297

HOUSE BILL 2466

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-2052, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; REPEALING SECTION 28-2160, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 28, CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 28-5100; AMENDING SECTIONS 28-5101 AND 28-5102, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 28, CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 28-5111; RELATING TO VEHICLE TITLES AND REGISTRATION.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 28-2052, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

28-2052. Title and registration of foreign vehicles

- A. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION E OF THIS SECTION, the owner of a foreign vehicle that has been registered in another state or country and for which an application for a certificate of title is made shall surrender to the department the license plates assigned to the vehicle, the registration card, the certificate of title, the certificate of ownership or other evidence of foreign registration and satisfactory evidence of ownership showing that the applicant is the lawful owner or possessor of the vehicle.
- B. If in the course of interstate operation of a vehicle registered in another state or country it is desirable to retain registration of the vehicle in the other state or country, the applicant need not follow the requirements of subsection A of this section but shall submit evidence of the foreign registration and ownership for inspection. The department shall register the vehicle on a proper showing of evidence of registration but shall not issue a certificate of title for the vehicle.
- C. The department shall inspect a foreign vehicle before titling or registration, including examination and inspection to establish compliance with section 28-955, under conditions and standards as required by the director of environmental quality. THE DEPARTMENT MAY ESTABLISH PROCEDURES TO ACCEPT VEHICLE INSPECTIONS COMPLETED IN ANOTHER STATE.
- D. Before the department issues a certificate of title to a vehicle imported into this country, the owner shall obtain a certificate of compliance that states that the vehicle meets all federal vehicle equipment and emissions equipment requirements. This subsection does not apply to a golf cart manufactured or modified before June 17, 1998 or neighborhood electric vehicle manufactured or modified before June 17, 1998.
- E. THE DEPARTMENT MAY ESTABLISH PROCEDURES TO ACCEPT EVIDENCE THAT THE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE OR CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP HAS BEEN VOIDED OR DESTROYED BY ANOTHER STATE.

Sec. 2. Repeal

Section 28–2160, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

Sec. 3. Title 28, chapter 13, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 28-5100, to read:

28-5100. Definitions

IN THIS ARTICLE, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

- 1. "AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY" MEANS AN ENTITY THAT HAS EXECUTED A WRITTEN AGREEMENT AND IS AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO PERFORM LIMITED OR SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS BUT IS NOT AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO FUNCTION AS AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER.
- 2. "AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER" MEANS AN ENTITY THAT HAS EXECUTED A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND IS AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION SERVICES

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BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT, PRIVATE CITIZENS, OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ENTITIES IN THIS STATE OR IN ANY OTHER STATE, TERRITORY OR COUNTRY.

- Sec. 4. Section 28-5101, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 28-5101. Third party authorization
- A. The director may authorize third parties to perform certain title and registration, motor carrier licensing and tax reporting, dealer licensing and driver license functions.
- B. THE DIRECTOR MAY AUTHORIZE A PERSON TO BE A THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER. AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL MEET ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT RELATING TO SECURITY, THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF TYPES OF TRANSACTIONS, PAYMENT OPTIONS AND MULTIPLE SERVICE DELIVERY CHANNELS. BEFORE AUTHORIZATION BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION, A PERSON SHALL SUBMIT A PLAN APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR FOR TRANSITION OF AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER'S CUSTOMER SERVICE TRANSACTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONTINUED OPERATION BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE DIRECTOR MAY REQUIRE UPDATES OF THE PLAN AS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE DIRECTOR. THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT CONTRACT WITH A THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER THAT EMPLOYS A SUBCONTRACTOR OR ANY OTHER PERSON WHO RESIDES OR IS OTHERWISE LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION SERVICES PURSUANT TO A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT.
- 8. C. A person shall not engage in any business pursuant to this article unless the director authorizes the person to engage in the business.
- C. D. The director may furnish necessary documents or license plates subject to this article.
- D. E. Except as provided in subsection E F of this section, an authorized third party OR AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER shall submit to the department all statutorily prescribed fees and taxes it collects. In addition to the statutorily prescribed fees and taxes, an authorized third party OR AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER may collect and retain a reasonable and commensurate fee for its services.
- E. F. In addition to payment pursuant to section 28-374, the department shall reimburse the authorized third party OR THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER as follows:
 - 1. One dollar of each registration fee FOR A VEHICLE OR AN AIRCRAFT.
 - 2. One dollar of each title fee FOR A VEHICLE OR AN AIRCRAFT.
- 3. An amount equal to two per cent of each vehicle license tax payment the authorized third party collects and submits to the department or four dollars for each registration year or part of a registration year, whichever is more. The reimbursement amount shall not exceed the amount of vehicle license tax collected.

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- 4. Four dollars for each application that the third party processes and that relates to driver licenses, nonoperating identification licenses or permits.
- 5. An amount equal to two per cent of each overweight or excess size vehicle registration or permit fee the third party collects and submits to the department or one dollar for each overweight or excess size vehicle registration or permit processed, whichever is more.
- 6. One dollar for each motor vehicle record, excluding motor vehicle records released to commercial recipients, including insurers and their authorized agents as defined in section 28-450.
 - 7. Five dollars for each tax report filing.
 - 8. ONE DOLLAR FOR EACH FUEL TAX PERMIT.
 - 9. ONE DOLLAR FOR EACH NONSUFFICIENT FUNDS CHECK PAYMENT.
 - 10. ONE DOLLAR FOR EACH ABANDONED VEHICLE REPORT.
 - 11. ONE DOLLAR FOR EACH ABANDONED VEHICLE PAYMENT.
 - 12. TWO DOLLARS FOR EACH SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE APPLICATION.
 - 13. ONE DOLLAR FOR EACH VEHICLE DEALER LICENSE PLATE APPLICATION.
- 14. FIVE DOLLARS FOR EACH APPLICATION FOR AN INITIAL VEHICLE DEALER LICENSE OR CONTINUATION OF A VEHICLE DEALER LICENSE.
- 15. ONE DOLLAR OF EACH TWELVE-DOLLAR FEE PAID PURSUANT TO SECTION 28-2356.
- F. G. Each authorized third party that holds itself out as providing services to the general public shall post a sign in a conspicuous location in each facility of the authorized third party that contains the amount charged for each transaction performed by the authorized third party and the amount charged by the department for the same transaction.
 - Sec. 5. Section 28-5102, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 28-5102. <u>Powers and duties of director</u>
- A. The director shall supervise and regulate all persons required by this article to obtain authorization.
 - B. The director may:
 - 1. Conduct investigations the director deems necessary.
 - 2. Conduct audits.
- 3. Make on-site inspections during regular business hours and at locations as the director deems appropriate to determine compliance by an authorized third party with this article. If an inspection is conducted at a place located outside this state, the director may charge a fee to the authorized third party.
- 4. Require that an authorized third party or employees or agents of an authorized third party be certified to perform the functions prescribed in this article.
- 5. REQUIRE AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTIES AND AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDERS TO REIMBURSE THE DEPARTMENT FOR MUTUALLY AGREED ON COSTS.

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 Sec. 6. Title 28, chapter 13, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 28-5111, to read:

28-5111. Electronic transmission and recording of title, registration and driver license; pilot program; authorized third party

- A. THE DIRECTOR MAY ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM TO MEASURE AND DETERMINE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE FOLLOWING IN IMPROVING CUSTOMER SERVICE, OPERATIONS, CAPITAL COST REDUCTIONS AND SECURITY OF INFORMATION TRANSMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT:
- 1. THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION AND RECORDING OF VEHICLE TITLE AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY OR AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE PURPOSE OF TITLING AND REGISTERING VEHICLES ENTERING THIS STATE FROM ANOTHER JURISDICTION IN A COST EFFECTIVE MANNER IN LIEU OF THE SUBMISSION AND MAINTENANCE OF PAPER DOCUMENTS.
- 2. THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION AND RECORDING OF DRIVER LICENSE APPLICATIONS BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND ANOTHER STATE THROUGH AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY OR AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE PURPOSE OF ISSUING DRIVER LICENSES IN A COST EFFECTIVE MANNER IN LIEU OF THE SUBMISSION AND MAINTENANCE OF PAPER DOCUMENTS AS PROVIDED IN THIS CHAPTER.
- 3. THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION AND RECORDING OF VEHICLE ACCIDENT DATA BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT, OTHER STATES AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WITHIN THIS STATE OR WITHIN ANOTHER STATE THROUGH AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY OR AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER.
 - B. IN THE PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING THE SYSTEM, THE DIRECTOR SHALL:
- 1. RESEARCH METHODS THE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTIES OR AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDERS MAY USE TO EXCHANGE AND MAINTAIN INFORMATION RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSES AND VEHICLE TITLE AND REGISTRATION WITHOUT SUBMITTING OR RECEIVING A PAPER DOCUMENT.
- 2. DEVELOP METHODS AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY OR AN AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDER MAY USE TO ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT UPDATED INFORMATION RELATING TO THE TITLE AND REGISTRATION RECORD OR THE DRIVER LICENSE RECORD.
- C. THE DIRECTOR MAY LIMIT THE NUMBER OF OTHER STATES AND AUTHORIZED THIRD PARTY ELECTRONIC SERVICE PROVIDERS PARTICIPATING IN THE SYSTEM. AFTER THE SYSTEM HAS BEEN OPERATING FOR TWELVE MONTHS, IF THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THE SYSTEM IS SUCCESSFUL, THE DIRECTOR MAY EXPAND THE SYSTEM.
- D. CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 5 OF THIS TITLE APPLIES TO CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND DRIVER LICENSE INFORMATION UNDER THE SYSTEM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

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